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Education

- University of Michigan (B.S., 1961)
- University of Michigan Law School (J.D., 1964)

Bar Admissions

Admitted only in

- California
- U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

Thomas E. Ciotti is a partner and co-founder of the Venture Intellectual Property group, and founder of the biotechnology/chemistry, medical device, and greentech patent groups at Morrison & Foerster LLP, Mr.

Ciotti has over 40 years of experience in life sciences intellectual property law and is regularly acknowledged by his peers as one of the top life sciences intellectual property lawyers in the United States. Mr. Ciotti is one of a distinguished group of attorneys who have been listed in The Best Lawyers in America for ten years. He was one of the first biotechnology patent attorneys and represented, and continues to represent, universities and corporations that pioneered the field of biotechnology. For many years Mr. Ciotti's practice revolved around counseling emerging life science companies, not only in the chemistry/biotech field, but also in the medical device field. In the course of doing so, he has served as principal intellectual property counsel to numerous biotechnology and medical device companies. Due diligence counseling from both the investor and company sides has always been a significant part of his practice. In recent years venture side due diligence has become the mainstay of Mr. Ciotti's practice and a critical and important part of Morrison & Foerster's intellectual property practice. With the recent interest in renewable energy/cleantech by the venture capital community, Mr. Ciotti's practice has grown to include those technologies. Mr. Ciotti holds chemical engineering and law degrees from the University of Michigan. He was president of the San Francisco Intellectual Property Law Association and has served as chairman of the Intellectual Property Section of the State Bar of California.

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Practice areas include procuring and policing of both patent and trademark rights in the United States and internationally; validity and infringement analysis; intellectual property licensing and patent and trademark litigation.

Expertise

Business Methods
International Practice
IP Related Business
Transactions
Patent
Trademark

Industry

Communications
Computer/Related Technologies
Electronics
Internet Technologies
Mechanical

Representative Patents

Patent #: 5,835,784

System For Booting Processor
From Remote Memory By
Preventing Host Processor From
Configuring An Environment Of
Processor While Configuring An
Interface Unit Between
Processor And Remote Memory

Patent #: 5,848,288
Method And Apparatus For
Accommodating Different Issue
Width Implementations Of VLIW
Architectures

Patent #: 5,892,377
Method And Apparatus For
Reducing Leakage Currents In
An I/O Buffer

Patent #: 6,035,438
Method And Apparatus For
Defeating Ballistic Projectiles

Patent #: 6,038,234
Early Arbitration On A Full
Duplex Bus

Bar Admissions

CA, Bar # 174461

Court Admissions

Central District of California (1994) U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (1997)

Law SchoolUniversity of Iowa

Undergraduate/Graduate Education

University of Iowa B.S., Electrical Engineering

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Education

The George Washington University Law School, LL.M., 1997, with highest honors George Mason University, School of Law, J.D., 1993

George Washington University, M.S.E.E., 1988 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, B.S.E.E., 1984

Practice

Mr. Doyle is a partner in the Litigation Group of Shearman & Sterling. Mr. Doyle is co-chair of the firm's intellectual property litigation practice and has extensive experience in the areas of intellectual property litigation, particularly patents and trade secrets, and in technology transactions and global patent strategy.

Mr. Doyle has been lead counsel in multiple litigations in courts throughout the United States, and has participated in all aspects of alternative dispute resolution. In trying a complex case, he is successful at taking complex material and simplifying the presentations of both law and technology to the bench and to a jury. He is also skilled at developing successful strategies for resolving disputes for his clients. He has litigated cases including a wide range of technologies including telecommunications, VoIP telephony, computer hardware and software, photolithography machines, set top box technologies, chemical compositions, medical devices, bar scanning devices, mechanical devices, among others. As an electrical engineer prior to practicing law, he helped design and develop nextgeneration military satellite and terrestrial communications systems.

Recent Experience

- Currently representing Synchrome Technologies, Inc. in a patent litigation case pending in the District Court of Delaware. Synchrome is the plaintiff alleging patent infringement against several disk drive manufacturers and users on patents relating to disk drive technology.
- Represented a large communications company in a trade secret matter. Mr. Doyle obtained an admission of misappropriation and an agreement by the opponent party to

Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property & Technology Litigation
- Litigation
- Financial Services
- Media, Electronics & Telecommunications
- Medical Devices
- Pharmaceuticals & Life Sciences

- discontinue use of client's trade secrets and cease shipping the compromised products.
- Nikon v. ASML et al. (N.D. of California) Represented Nikon in major photolithography patent case. Payment of \$145 million to Nikon.
- Macrovision Corporation v. Motorola, Inc. (N.D. of California) Represented Motorola against Macrovision in patent and contract disputes involving analog copy protection technology. Case settled.
- Represented defendant in disputes involving trade secrets, IP ownership, and breach of contract. Mr. Doyle was successful in getting plaintiff to voluntarily dismiss all claims with no payment or other consideration by defendant.
- Vonage v. Nortel et al. (N.D. Tex. & D. Del.) Represented Vonage in multiple patent cases where Nortel was asserting 12 patents against Vonage and Vonage was asserting 3 patents against Nortel and others. Case settled.
- Software AG v. BEA (D. Del. and E.D.V.A.) Represented BEA Systems against Software AG, including the defense of an action for patent infringement in the District of Delaware, the assertion of infringement claims against Software AG in the Eastern District of Virginia, and the successful initiation of reexamination proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, leading to settlement of all litigation.
- Represented Vonage in a three-week trial before the Eastern District of Virginia and on appeal at the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.
- IPT v. Motorola, Inc. (N.D. of Illinois) Represented defendant Motorola in patent case involving four patents. Case settled.
- Ronald Katz Licensing v. Amtrak et al. (E.D. Tex. and C.D of Ca.) Represented Amtrak in patent case relating to automatic telephone call processing technology. Case settled.
- ACTV, Inc. v. The Walt Disney Company (Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, S.D.N.Y.) – Managed litigation as in-house counsel resulting in victory at the Federal Circuit on claim construction.
- Mr. Doyle was an expert witness for Bancorp in the Hartford Insurance v. Bancorp case resulting in a victory in the District Court.

Selected Professional & Business Activities

Former Member of the Board of Advisors for the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Publications

- Big Suits: Verizon v. Vonage, October 2006, IP Law & Business
- Power of IP Competitive Intelligence, October 31, 2005, Israeli-America Chamber of Commerce, Seminar on Intellectual Property Rights
- Panel Moderator, Demystifying Section 337 Investigations at the ITC, June 2006
- Panel Moderator, AIPLA Spring 2005 Conference

- Intellectual Property Reform After the Uruguay Round, Minn. Inst. Legal Education, September 1995
- Performance of DSCS Extremely High Frequency Satellite Signals in Simultaneous Fading and Optimized Jamming, October 1990, Military Communications Conference Proceedings
- Performance of Frequency Hopped MSK Modulated Signals in Jamming and Additive White Gaussian Noise, October 1990, Military Communications Conference Proceedings

Honors

- Mr. Doyle has been recognized as one of the leading individuals in patent law, Chambers USA, America's Leading Business Lawyers (2009, 2008, 2006, 2005)
- Mr. Doyle was named the Intellectual Property "Young Gun" and also a "Leading Lawyer" by the Washington Business Journal, 2004
- Mr. Doyle was listed as a Super Lawyer in Washington, DC Super Lawyers 2008 and 2009 for Intellectual Property and IP Litigation
- Mr. Doyle was named a Leading Patent Lawyer in Euromoney's Guide to the World's Leading Patent Lawyers, 2007

Bar Admissions/Qualifications

District of Columbia Virginia Registered Patent Attorney, United States Patent and Trademark Office

Courts

United States Circuit Courts for the Federal Circuit United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia



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Practice Areas

PROFESSIONALS OFFICES SERVICES

U.S. and international patent preparation and prosecution.

Admitted to the Bar

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Education

Purdue University, B.S.E.E., 1969

Highlights

John E. Gunther is a patent agent with SoCal IP Law Group. He was admitted to the Patent Bar in February, 1999.

John's technical experience includes electro-optical systems and components, liquid crystal devices, radar and RF systems, electronics, mechanical systems, and manufacturing methods.

John has a total of nearly 30 years of technology development and management experience at Northrop-Grumman, Texas Instruments, Hughes Electronics, and several commercial start-up companies. He was an inventor on 24 U.S. Patents. Examples of some patents John prepared are listed here:

•	6,816,650	Planar lightwave filter device

•	6,710,921	Polarizer apparatus for producing a
		generally polarized beam of light

• 6,693,749 Low-observability, wide-field-of-view, situation awareness viewing device

• 6,563,638 Wide-angle collimating optical device

• 6,452,724 Polarizer apparatus for producing a generally polarized beam of light

• 6,348,995 Reflective optical polarizer device with controlled light distribution and liquid crystal display incorporating the same

• 6,208,463 Polarizer apparatus for producing a generally polarized beam of light

• 6,141,124 Color filter and color picture display device using the same

• 6,108,131 Polarizer apparatus for producing a generally polarized beam of light

• 6,081,376 Reflective optical polarizer device with controlled light distribution and liquid crystal display incorporating the same

• 5,986,730 Dual mode reflective/transmissive liquid

crystal display apparatus

• 5,907,416 Wide FOV simulator heads-up display with selective holographic reflector combined

• 5,764,389 Holographic color filters for display applications, and operating method

Photopolymer holographic decal for plastic substrate • 5,702,805

• 5,541,825 Dual image CHMSLs without holography

• 5,499,116 Encoded hologram for producing a machine readable image and a human readable image

• 5,406,395 Holographic parking assistance device

• 5,101,193 Universal stand-alone holographic center high mounted stoplight

• 4,586,781 Diffraction optics diffusing screen

• 4,586,780 Directional diffusing screen with suppressed zero-order light

• 4,349,817 Liquid crystal display system using fiber

• 4,344,668 Fiber optic light traps for electro-optical



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Biography

Jun-Young E. Jeon joined Christie Parker & Hale in 1999. He has over ten years experience in intellectual property law. His practice focuses on patent prosecution, counseling and opinions for clients in the United States and the Asia-Pacific region.

Mr. Jeon has particular technical expertise in the fields of display devices, OLEDs, plasma displays, LCDs, electron emission displays, secondary batteries, battery management systems, fuel cells, analog and digital electronics, communications and semiconductor devices.

Admitted

- State Bar of California, 1999
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Education

- J.D. degree from Southwestern University School of Law, 1999
- M.S. degree in electrical engineering from California State University, Long Beach, 1995
- B.S. degree in electrical engineering from California Institute of Technology, 1991

Professional Activities

- Pasadena Bar Association
- Los Angeles Intellectual Property Law Association
- Intellectual Property Owners Association, Asian Pacific Practice Committee

Personal Background

Mr. Jeon is fluent in Korean.

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Jonathan Miller is a member of the Patent practice group. Jonathan's practice is focused on patent portfolio management for small, medium and large clients, including management of patent prosecution, patent filings, assisting clients in identifying products and ideas for patent protection, and international patent filing and management. Also, Jonathan provides patent litigation support and related assistance to clients including infringement analysis, validity review, and patentability search and review. Jonathan works with clients in the fields of consumer electronics, software, toys, medical devices, computer architecture, mechanical devices, and networking.

Expertise

Copyright
International Practice
Litigation Support
Patent

Industry

Communications
Computer/Related Technologies
Electronics
Internet Technologies
Mechanical

Affiliations

National Association of Muslim Lawyers

Bar Admissions

CA, Bar # 219116

Law School

Indiana University School of Law

Undergraduate/Graduate Education

Indiana University
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Highlights

Steve Sereboff is recognized as a premiere intellectual property strategist. Clients rely on Steve not only for great patents, they also depend on his economic and business acumen to guide their decisions on what to patent and where. Steve's clients rely on him for pragmatic advice on managing corporate risks arising from IP. He regularly advises clients on how to leverage their IP rights, and how to avoid claims of infringing others. IP rights others' IP rights.

Steve Sereboff has specialized in intellectual property law since Steve Sereboff has specialized in intellectual property law since 1991. His practice includes licensing and contracts, patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. He holds a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Maryland, and had seven years of experience in the computer software business before earning his law degree from Boston University. While at Boston University, Mr. Sereboff founded Boston University's Technology, Science and Law Association, and was employed by MIT to negotiate and manage software licenses. His technical expertise includes many aspects of computers (both software and hardware) and myriad electronic and electrical devices, their operation and manufacture. Steve Sereboff is the President operation and manufacture. Steve Sereboff is the President of the Conejo Valley Bar Association.

Steve's opinion was sought and Steve was quoted in the following high-tech patent news stories.

Software theft hits Solid Oak, Pacific Coast Business Times, June 19, 2009

'Patent Assassins' ad stirs reform debate, EE Times, April 21, 2009

Court rulings usher in new era of patent reform, The Southeast Texas Record, April 1, 2009

Patent reform bill works its way through Senate The Southeast Texas Record, March 26, 2009 ate, again,

Patent 'trolls' upended in East Texas, The Southeast Texas Record, March 19, 2009

Ward at center of flight-plan change in Texas 'rocket docket', The Southeast Texas Record, March 3, 2009

<u>Upper court ruling could mean slow burn for Texas 'rocket docket'</u>, The Southeast Texas Record, February 23, 2009

Articles

A New Bright Line Rule for Electronics Patents - A "Circuit" is more than a "Means" (published in Japanese)

Sinking Submarines from the Depths of the PTO Sea, IP Today (November, 2002)

rity Interests in IP Rights, Intellectual Property Today (May, 2000)

New Requirements in Patent Marking and Notice, Journal of the Patent and Trademark Office Society (October, 1994)

The Law of Marking and Notice Further Developed by the Federal Circuit: The Amsted Case, The Law Works (August, 1994)

Intellectual Property Issues Facing Japanese Companies Acquiring American Businesses, International Legal Strategy, (September 15, 1993) (published in Japanese)

Case Note: Matsushita v. Justsystem, Intellectual Property Today, (June, 2006)

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Main Bio

Brennan Swain's practice emphasizes patent and trademark and copyright law, including prosecution, litigation and client counseling. In the patent field, he is particularly adept in the mechanical arts.

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Education

J.D., 1996, Regent University School of Law

Practices

B.S.M.E., 1993, cum laude, Messiah College

Intellectual Property

Associations

- Member, American Bar Association, Section on Intellectual Property Law
- Member, New York State Bar Association, Section on Intellectual Property Law
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
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Captain, Lacrosse Team, Messiah College

Awards & Recognition

 American Jurisprudence Award in Contracts and Property, Regent University School of Law

Bar Admissions

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